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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 – 18. (canceled)

Claim 19. (currently amended) A ~~microfabricated fluidic logic~~ microfluidic device, comprising:

an elastomeric block comprising:

a first elastomeric layer having a recess formed therein, said

recess having a dimension between 0.1. and 1000 μm ;

a second elastomeric layer having a recess formed therein,

said recess having a dimension between 0.1 μm and 1000

μm , wherein said first elastomeric layer and said second

elastomeric layer are bonded together through complimentary

bonds between the first elastomeric layer and the second

elastomeric layer;

an input channel; ~~and~~

an output channel; and

a first microfabricated fluidic switch, wherein the

microfabricated fluidic logic device performs a logic

function on an input signal in the input channel to provide an

output signal in the output channel.

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Claim 20. (original) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim 1' wherein the output signal is the inverse of the input signal.

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Claim 21. (original) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim 1' wherein the microfabricated fluidic logic device is an OR gate.

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Claim 22. (original) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim 1' wherein the microfabricated fluidic logic device is a NOR gate.

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Claim 23. (original) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim 1' wherein the microfabricated fluidic logic device is a AND gate.

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Claim 24. (original) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim 1' wherein the microfabricated fluidic logic device is a NAND gate.

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Claim 25. (currently amended) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim 1' wherein the microfabricated fluidic logic device is a flip-flop.
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Claim 26. (original) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim 7 wherein the flip-flop comprises first and second cross-coupled NAND gates.

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Claim 27. (original) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim 8 wherein each of the two NAND gates comprises two pressure actuated normally open switches coupled in parallel.

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Claim 28. (original) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim 7 wherein the flip-flop comprises first and second cross-coupled NOR gates.

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Claim 29. (original) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim ~~10~~ wherein the two NOR gates comprise two pressure actuated normally open switches coupled in series.

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Claim 30. (original) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim ~~10~~ further comprising:
first and second step pressure sources coupled to the flip-flop;
a second microfabricated fluidic switch coupled between the first step pressure source and the first NOR gate;
a third microfabricated fluidic switch coupled between the second step pressure source and the second NOR gate.

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Claim 31. (original) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim ~~10~~ further comprising:
a step pressure source comprising an output coupled to the flip-flop through second and third microfabricated fluidic switches; and
fourth and fifth microfabricated fluidic switches, each coupled between the output of the step pressure source and ambient exhaust.

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Claim 32. (original) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim ~~13~~ further comprising:
a first microfabricated fluidic capacitor coupled to an input of the first NOR gate and the gate of the fourth switch;
a second microfabricated fluidic capacitor coupled to an input of the second NOR gate and the gate of the fifth switch;
a first fluidic resistor coupled to the first capacitor; and
a second fluidic resistor coupled to the second capacitor.

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Claim 33. (original) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim 10 further

comprising:

a step pressure source comprising an output coupled to the flip-flop
through second and third microfabricated fluidic switches; and
a fourth microfabricated fluidic switch coupled between the output
of the step pressure source and ambient exhaust, wherein the
gate of the fourth switch is coupled to a clock signal.

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Claim 34. (original) The microfabricated fluidic logic device of claim 19 wherein the switch
comprises a pressure actuated normally open switch.

Claims 35 – 58. (canceled)

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